

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the specification, as follows:

Delete page 38 in its entirety and add new page 38, adding the following ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE. A new, separate page 38 including the ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE is enclosed.

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

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A method of making a tire includes forming at least one first carcass ply of a carcass structure, forming at least one circumferentially-inextensible annular structure, and applying the at least one circumferentially-inextensible annular structure to a region close to inner circumferential edges of the at least one first carcass ply. Forming the at least one first carcass ply includes preparing first strip lengths, each first strip length including longitudinal and parallel thread elements at least partly coated with at least one layer of raw elastomer material, and depositing the first strip lengths onto a toroidal support to define two side portions and a crown portion. The crown portions are disposed consecutively in side-by-side relationship along a circumferential extension of the toroidal support. The side portions of each first strip length cover in part or are partly covered by a side portion of at least one circumferentially-consecutive first strip length.

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